Colorful Adventure-Packed Life

From Retirement to Top Spot

Spy-Ring Buster 'Rivets' Takes Over RCMP

OTTAWA (CP)—A spy-ring buster with an adventuresome spirit, a man affectionately known in the force as "Rivets," takes over command of the 5,300-member RCMP April 1.

Tall, husky Charles Edward Rivett-Carnac—whose Gulliver-like travels could make a schoolboy's eyes pop—will succeed Leonard Hansen Nicholson as commissioner, just when he thought he was closing the books on a colorful 35-year RCMP career.

"This is a great distinction to head the mounted police," the 57-year-old deputy commissioner said quietly in an interview Monday after Justice Minister Fulton made the announcement in the Commons.

"I feel happy that the government has shown this confidence in me," he added, making clear he planned no drastic changes in RCMP policy.

An ambulance driver in the French army at 16 and a boss of elephant camps in India at 19, the new commissioner might have been in the French Foreign Legion instead of the RCMP, except for some personal distaste and a yen to see his native England.

"I stopped off at Marseilles on my way back to England and inquired about joining the foreign legion," he said. "When I heard about conditions in the legion, I wasn't so enthusiastic about it. Anyway, I wanted to get back to England and I did have in mind the hope of joining the RCMP. You see, I heard a lot about the RCMP in India."

He was 22, with adventure in his eye and only $35 in his pockets, when he landed in Montreal. He shovelled rock at 35 cents an hour before he got the nod from the RCMP. A score of years later he was the key police figure in a Russian spy investigation that shook the world.

"He was the first person who came to the support of the then distracted Igor Gouzenko," said the justice department in telling of how the new commissioner, then in charge of RCMP criminal investigation, concluded that the Russian embassy clerk was telling the truth when he claimed to have a briefcase of facts of a Russian spy ring in Canada.

"Up to the time when Superintendent Rivett-Carnac saw the evidence, official Ottawa had pooh-poohed Gouzenko's story."

The new commissioner, with a starting salary of $17,500 a year, takes over at a time when the morale in the force is reported to be slightly shaken up with the sudden resignation of Commissioner Nicholson.

The outgoing chief resigned when the federal government declined to meet a Newfoundland request for RCMP reinforcements in the loggers' strike dispute. Commissioner

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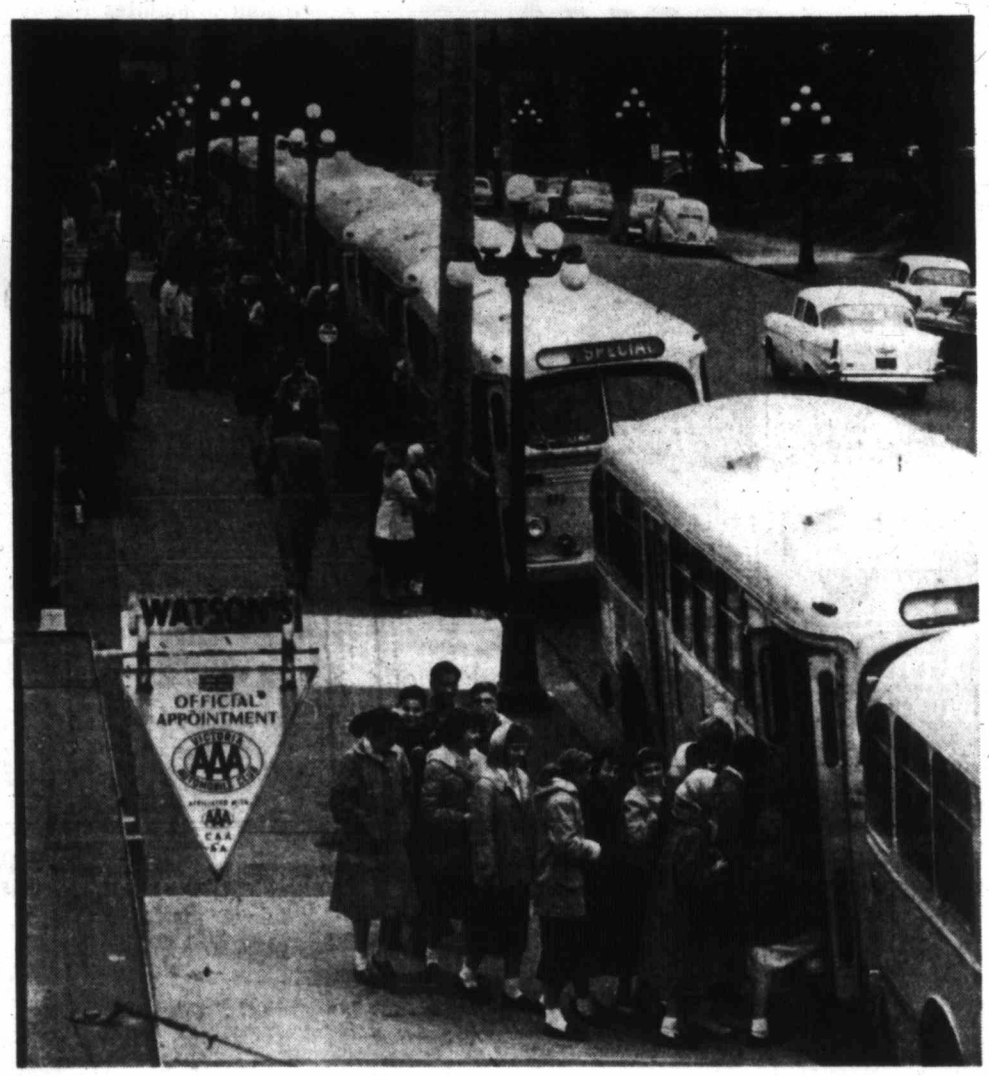

Culture Caravan Loads Up

Courtney Street curb was packed with 22 chartered buses yesterday when some 3,000 students from Greater Victoria junior high schools attended the final "junior" concert at the Royal Theatre given by Victoria Symphony Society under a Canada Council grant. Orderly conduct of the army of students won praise from the drivers. See Page 12. —(Photo by William A. Boucher)

INDIA HAS FEARS FOR DALAI LAMA

Second Hungary Charged to China

NEW DELHI (Reuters)—India Monday expressed concern over the safety of the Dalai Lama, 23-year-old spiritual ruler of 6,000,000 Tibetans.

Prime Minister Nehru said India has no intention of interfering in the current fighting between Tibet rebels and Communist Chinese troops.

The whereabouts of the Dalai Lama, a close friend of Nehru's, has been unknown since fighting broke out in Tibet's capital of Lhasa Thursday.

REFLECT CONCERN

Nehru's speech, delivered to a tense and packed Indian Parliament, failed to satisfy many opposition members who reflected an increasing concern here with the situation. Even some members of Nehru's own Congress Party expressed disappointment later.

N. G. Goray, Praja Socialist Party general secretary, called on party units to observe Sunday as "Tibet day."

"What we are witnessing today," he said, "is the planned annihilation of a simple people and their personality—a repetition of what happened in Hungary three years back . . ."

LOWEST EBB

Observers say India's relations with Peiping probably are at their lowest ebb since Nehru criticized China's original move into Tibet in 1950 and was answered with the suggestion that he was being influenced by imperialist agents.

It was noted that Nehru Monday drew attention to the five principles of co-existence covered in a 1954 Sino-Indian treaty on Tibet—an implied warning to China that India feels these principles are being violated.

Nehru pointedly remarked that "the Dalai Lama, whom I had the honor and pleasure of receiving in our country in 1956-57, is held in high veneration by our people and we hope he is safe."

LAMA SAFE?

From Kalimpong, India, on the Tibetan frontier, came reports that Tibetan revolt is spreading in the interior of Tibet and the Dalai Lama, god-king of the country, is safe.

The large Tibetan colony here—a primary source of information from the forbidden land where modern communications are almost non-existent—discounted rumors of a cease-fire and said their information was that the rugged Khamba tribesmen were continuing their revolt against Communist rule.

SEIZED TOWN

The Khamba tribesmen Sunday were reported to have seized the central trading town of Gyantese and to have extended their control over towns in Kham province, seat of a tribal independence rebellion now almost three years old.

The Communists were known to have artillery and automatic weapons. The rebels were fighting with whatever they could lay their hands on.

A 30-member Tibetan delegation from Kalimpong was to travel to Gantok, in India's Sikkim province, to appeal to the Indian political officer for help.

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Revolt News Official

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The state department said yesterday official reports confirm that Tibetan resistance to Chinese Communist "repression" has erupted into open revolt.

However, a state department press officer, Joseph Reap, Jr., said information received through official channels was not clear as to the extent of the revolt or its chances of success.

Reap said the uprising was further evidence that the Chinese Communists, who invaded Tibet in 1950, have not been able to enforce their rule over the Tibetan people.

Reap said the department had no information to confirm a statement of a Chinese Nationalist cabinet member on Formosa that the revolt has spread into Red China itself.

Send For Seeds

Sent for your free Rhode Island tomato seeds yet from M. V. Chesnut?

In his Garden Notes on page 14, Mr. Chesnut begins to tell today how to grow the luscious, mouth-watering tomatoes from the seed any reader can obtain, without strings of any kind, in this first offer of the year.

FIDEL CASTRO
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Invasion Scare

Cuban Children Ready to Fight

HAVANA (UPI) — Fidel Castro yesterday steered Cuba towards a new policy of total mobilization against counter-revolutionary invasion which he warned might originate in the United States or the Dominican Republic. Men, women and children prepared to bear arms.

The young premier singled out "reactionary" Americans for particular criticism in a speech to 100,000 labor union members.

He charged that a "foreign-fostered" invasion might come from Florida or the Dominican Republic ruled by his chief enemy, Gen. Rafael Trujillo.

Castro accused the United States of sending arms at cut-rate prices to the Dominican Republic, where ousted Cuban president Fulgencio Batista lives in exile.

Castro called for total mobilization of the Cuban people, "even of women and children," to defend the island nation.

Servants Get Four Days

Provincial civil servants will have a four-day Easter holiday.

Provincial offices will be closed from 5 p.m. Thursday to 8.30 a.m. Tuesday, March 31.

An exception will be the provincial museum, which will be closed all day Friday, open from 9 a.m. to noon and 1.10 p.m. to 5 Saturday and Monday and from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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Strike on Canal Seaway Threat

MONTREAL (UPI)—The possibility of a canal workers' strike which could affect the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway was mentioned by union officials here last night.

The walkout reference came after 38 former Lachine Canal employees learned that their jobs at the canal would wind up on April 1.

The 38 men will reportedly be replaced by 40 other workers who became eligible for the positions through a seaway authority competition.

Canada Builds Spare Parts

U.S. Seaplanes Bought for RCAF

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian government will buy 10 Albatross seaplanes from Grumman Aircraft Co. of Long Island, N.Y., for RCAF search and rescue, it was learned Monday.

The planes, which will cost an estimated $6,000,000, will be manufactured by Grumman in the United States and not under licence in Canada as originally proposed. Canadian manufacturers may supply spare parts and engines only.

Announcement of the order for the seaplanes was made Monday to the Air Industries and Transport Association by D. L. Thompson, director of the aircraft branch of the defence production department.

Mr. Thompson also told the association that the U.S. Navy will not permit Canadian manufacturers to tender bids on naval defence contracts unless they are already producing the items for the Canadian government.

Informants said this action by the U.S. Navy has been one of the big stumbling blocks on firm production-sharing arrangements between Canada and the U.S.

Quake Jiggles Golden Gate

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI)—A minor earthquake jiggled San Francisco at 6.21 p.m. PST yesterday. No damage was reported.

Allies' Talks Best Ever

WASHINGTON (AP)—Prime Minister Macmillan and President Eisenhower ended their three-day strategy conference Monday by agreeing it was the best they ever had.

During a farewell 30-minute White House chat the two old friends reviewed their decision to offer Russia's Premier Khrushchev a summertime summit meeting.

As he prepared to fly back to London, Macmillan was reported advocating a series of informal summit conferences with Khrushchev as the surest way to ease tensions inflamming eat-west relations.

OPPOSED TO GENEVA

The British leader was understood to be opposed to Geneva as a site. He favors a more secluded spot.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker told the House of Commons Monday he proposed to Macmillan last week that Canada would be "a suitable place" for a summit conference. He indicated that Quebec City's Citadel, site of two wartime Churchill-Roosevelt meetings, would be a good site. This was almost certain to be rejected by Russia.

LUXURY HOTEL

A luxury railway hotel set among the moors in the highlands of Perthshire, Scotland, was mentioned by Macmillan as a possible site.

Boasting one of Scotland's finest golf courses, and equidistant from Edinburgh and Glasgow, the Gleneagles Hotel would offer complete privacy for the meeting.

Macmillan, however, did not press the president for acceptance of the idea, apparently because he wants Eisenhower to agree to a single summit parley with Khrushchev this summer.

BRITISH COMPLAINTS

Macmillan discussed British complaints against trade restrictions during the day with three of the Eisenhower administration's economic policy-makers — Treasury Secretary Robert Anderson, Commerce Secretary Lewis Strauss, and Undersecretary of State C. Douglas Dillon.

Macmillan was reported convinced a summit meeting with Khrushchev, probably in Geneva this August, has been virtually assured by his private talks with Eisenhower and acting state secretary Christian Herter.

BERLIN (UPI) — The East German communists hailed yesterday as a victory for Russia the agreement by President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan on holding an East-West summit conference this summer.

An editorial in Neues Deutschland, official East German communist party newspaper, said that U.S. and British readiness to take part in summit talks "is a success for the peace forces, the initiative of the Soviet Union."

Probe in Montreal

Council 'Fixed' Traffic Tickets

MONTREAL (CP)—A total of 1,016 Montreal traffic tickets were "fixed" during January, police director J. Albert Langlois reported Monday to the city executive committee.

About 3,000 tickets have been cancelled during the three-month period ending Jan. 31, causing a loss to the city of $12,000.

The executive committee last week ordered Mr. Langlois to report on fixing and take all necessary steps to stop it.

Much of the fixing is done by city councillors, the report said.

Twenty councillors avoided $5 fines on their own cars during January.

Forty-five councillors accounted for the fixing of 380 $5 tickets. Fourteen councillors fixed 48 $2 tickets.

One particular councillor, not named publicly, had 121 tickets cancelled.

$200,000 To Fight Inflation

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Senate approved a broad $200,000 study of possible inflation remedies yesterday after Democratic leader Lyndon B. Johnson (Tex.) termed the problem of rising prices "second only to the issue of national survival."